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SUBJECT: REPORT OF CENTRAL EUROPE PIPELINE POLICY COMMITTEE (CEPPC)
PROVIDING ADDITIONAL BURDENSARING OPTIONS FOR VARYING COST-
SHARING FORMULA

REF: A. C-M(74)2

B. C-M(73)125

C. USNATO 0320

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BEGIN SUMMARY. CEPPC REPORT TO THE COUNCIL OF JAN 31ST PROVIDES
ADDITIONAL OPTIONS FOR VARYING THE COST-SHARING FORMULA FOR THE
CENTRAL EUROPE PIPELINE SYSTEM (CEPS) DEFICIT. ADDITIONAL OPTIONS
PROVIDE FOR US SHARES OF 22, 18 AND 12 PERCENT. REPORT SUBMISSION
DOES NOT IMPLY ACCEPTANCE BY ANY COUNTRY OF VARIATIONS IN EXISTING
CEPS COST-SHARING FORMULA. CONSIDERATION BY COUNCIL COULD OCCUR
AS EARLY AS FEB 6TH. END SUMMARY.

1. CEPPC REPORT OF JAN 31ST (REF A) PROVIDES ADDITIONAL OPTIONS
(AS REPORTED REF C) FOR VARYING THE COST-SHARING FORMULA AND
REVISING THE US SHARE OF THE DEFICIT OF THE CEPS. THESE OPTIONS
ARE IN ADDITION TO THOSE CONTAINED IN A PREVIOUS CEPPC REPORT
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ON BURDENSARING ALTERNATIVES (REF B) WHICH PROVIDED COST-
SHARING FORMULAE FOR US SHARES OF 24-12 AND 9 (ZERO) PERCENT.
THE NEW OPTIONS REFLECT THE APPROACH BROUGHT FORWARD BY THE
BELGIAN AMBASSADOR AT COUNCIL MEETING ON FEB 16TH (REF D) AND

ARE ENTITLED "NEW DYNAMIC" APPROACH" IN THE REPORT.

2. THE FOLLOWING TABLE OF COST-SHARING OPTIONS: APPEARS AS AN ANNEX TO THE REPORT.

COUNTRY EXISTING TEHORETICAL FORMULAE NEW "DYNAMIC"

FORMULA FORMULA PRESENTED IN APPROACH

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ANNEX A ANNEX B#

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US	36.07	26	12	12	12	22	18
FRG	16	26	22.02	30.9	27	22	24
FRANCE	16	23	22.02	27.35	24	22	23
UK	9.73	8	13.39	9.5	10	10	10
CANADA	2.77	1	3.81	1.2	3.	3	3
NETH	9.70	8	13.35	9.5	12	10.5	11
BELGIUM	9.70	8	13.35	9.5	12	10.5	11
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FIGURES ROUNDED OFF

3. THIS SECOND CEPPC BURDENSARING REPORT ASKS THE COUNCIL TO NOTE THAT SUBMISSION OF THE REPORT DOES NOT IMPLY ACCEPTANCE BY ANY DELEGATION OF VARIATIONS IN THE EXISTING COST-SHARING FORMULA OF THE CEPS AND THAT AGREEMENT IN THE CEPPC WOULD APPEAR UNLIKELY UNTIL FIRM DIRECTION IS RECEIVED FROM THE COUNCIL RELATIVE TO THE SUBJECT. THE REPORT ALSO NOTED THAT THE FRENCH DELEGATE TOOK NO PART IN THE PREPARATION OF THE DOCUMENT BUT WAS PRESENT ONLY AS AN OBSERVER.

4. THIS REPORT MAY BE CONSIDERED BY THE COUNCIL AS EARLY AS FEBRUARY 6TH.

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